

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN KEN (KIM) HANSEN**, on March 9, 2005 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Chairman (D)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)
Sen. Gerald Pease (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Jon Tester (D)

Members Absent: Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Corey Stapleton (R)

Staff Present: Annie Glover, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 350, 3/4/2005; HB 86, 3/4/2005
Executive Action: HB 350, HB 86

00:00:00

HEARING ON HB 350

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. EDWARD BUTCHER (R), HD 29, opened the hearing on **HB 350**,
Revise deposit amounts for state land leases.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:00:48 **Mr. Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association,**
 Montana Association of State Grazing Districts
00:02:38 **Ms. Nancy Schlepp, Montana Farm Bureau Federation,**
 also representing Ellen Angstead, Montana Wood
 Products
00:03:30 **Ms. Barbara Broberg, Montana Women Involved in**
 Farm Economics
00:04:11 **Mr. Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmers Union**

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

00:04:44 **Mr. Kevin Chappell, Department of Natural**
 Resources and Conservation

00:05:00

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:07:17

Closing by Sponsor:

SEN. BRUEGGEMAN will carry HB 350 on the Senate Floor.

00:08:36

HEARING ON HB 86

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. CHRISTINE KAUFMANN (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on **HB 86**,
Revise distribution procedure for Taylor grazing act revenue.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:08 **Mr. Larry Finch, Department of Revenue**
00:10:45 **Mr. Harold Blattie, Montana Association of**
 Counties

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

00:11:26

Closing by Sponsor:

SEN. LARSON will carry HB 86 on the Senate Floor.

00:12:46

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 350

Motion/Vote: **SEN. BRUEGGEMAN** moved that HB 350 BE CONCURRED IN.
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:13:17

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 86

Motion/Vote: **SEN. BALES** moved that HB 86 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion
carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:00 P.M.

SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN, Chairman

ANNIE GLOVER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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